

DETROIT, MICH.,

Chairman  
Board of Directors

### SEBASTIAN S. KRESGE

1867—Born on farm at Beld Mount, Lackawanna County, Pa., of Pennsylvania Dutch parentage.

1872—Attended country school.

1882—Attended Fairview Academy, walking seven miles daily to do so.

1886—Attended Polytechnic Institute and taught school in winter at \$22 per month.

1887—Farm hand for parents in summer. Clerked in grocery in winter for \$28 to \$40 per month.

1888—Again farm hand for parents in summer. In winter, took Commercial Course at Eastman's Business College. Graduated the following March. Had led Monroe County in bee culture for five years.

1889—Employed in Wholesale Produce Business, sold Industrial Insurance, canvassed, selling House Furnishings, had half interest in Bakery, was bookkeeper in a Hardware Company.

1892—Traveling Tinware Salesman in North Central and New England States. Saved \$8000 to invest in business.

1897—Entered S and 10c business. Opened stores in Memphis, Tenn., and Detroit, Mich., as half owner with J. G. McCrory. Managed Memphis store 16 months.

1897—Married.

1899—Exchanged interest in Memphis for Detroit Store and name became Kresge & Wilson.

1912—S. S. Kresge Company incorporated May 1st.

1914—Kresge Building erected in Detroit.

1916-1919—Active in making Michigan and America dry. Director on National War Work Council of Y. M. C. A.

1923—Established Kresge Department Stores.

1925—Bought interest in The Fair, Chicago.

Methodist and Mason.

